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## 2 Data Structures

#### 2.1 Trees

#### 2.1.1 Basic Tree Terminology

**Height:** The height of a tree is the length of the longest path from the root to a leaf. It is the number of edges on this path.

**Level:** The level of a node is the number of edges on the path from the root to the node. The root node is at level 0.

Minimum Width: The minimum width of a tree is the smallest number of nodes at any level of the tree.

Maximum Width: The maximum width of a tree is the largest number of nodes at any level of the tree.

**Depth:** The depth of a node is the number of edges from the node to the tree's root node.

Leaf: A leaf is a node with no children.

**Internal Node:** An internal node is a node with at least one child.

Binary Tree: A tree data structure in which each node has at most two children, referred to as the left child and the right child.

#### 2.1.2 KD-Trees

**Problem Type:** Construction of a KD-Tree from 2D points

#### What to Look For:

- Set of 2D points given as coordinates
- Request to build a KD-Tree
- Questions about tree properties (height, leaves)

Given Points: 
$$P = \{(1,3), (12,1), (4,5), (5,4), (10,11), (8,2), (2,7)\}$$

#### Solution Strategy:

- 1. Sort points by x-coordinate (root level)
- 2. Find median point
- 3. Split into left/right subtrees
- 4. Repeat with y-coordinates for next level
- 5. Continue alternating x/y until all points placed

#### **Detailed Solution:**

#### 1. Root Level (x-split)

- Sorted x: (1,3),(2,7),(4,5), (5,4), (8,2),(10,11),(12,1)
- Median (5,4) becomes root  $\ell_1$

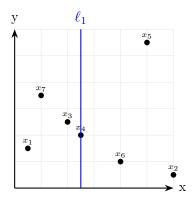


Figure 1: \*
Coordinate Split at Root Level

#### 2. Tree Structure

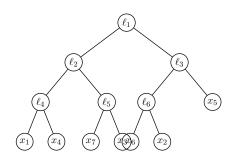


Figure 2: \*
KD-Tree Structure

#### 3. Final Properties

• Height: 3 (counting from 0)

• Leaves: 7 (all original points)

• Second leaf from left: (4, 5)

#### Exam Tips:

- 1. Always start by sorting points on current dimension
- 2. Mark median point clearly in your sorting
- 3. Draw coordinate system with splitting lines
- 4. Keep track of which dimension you're splitting on:
  - Level 0: x-coordinate
  - Level 1: v-coordinate
  - Level 2: x-coordinate
  - And so on...
- 5. Verify tree properties at the end

#### Common Mistakes to Avoid:

- Don't forget to alternate dimensions
- Don't skip sorting at each level
- Don't mix up left (<) and right (>) subtrees
- Don't forget to verify final tree properties

#### 2.1.3 KD-Tree Complexity Analysis

**Problem Type:** Complexity proof for KD-Tree construction

#### What to Look For:

• Proof of time complexity  $O(n \log n)$ 

- Proof of space complexity O(n)
- Recursive analysis

### Solution Strategy:

- 1. Prove space complexity first (easier)
- 2. Analyze recursive structure
- 3. Set up recurrence relation
- 4. Apply Master Theorem

#### Space Complexity Proof:

- 1. For  $n = 2^k$  points:
  - Internal nodes (parents):  $2^k 1$
  - Total nodes:  $2^{k+2} + 2^{k-1} = n + n/2 = 3n/2 < 3n$
- 2. For general n (not power of 2):
  - Find t where  $2^{t-1} < n < 2^t$

  - Internal nodes  $n_p$ :  $2^{t-2} < n_p < 2^{t-1}$  Total nodes:  $3 \cdot 2^{t-2} < n + n_p < 3 \cdot 2^{t-1}$
  - Therefore:  $n + n_p < 3n$
- 3. Each node uses O(1) storage
- 4. Total storage:  $O(1) \cdot O(n) = O(n)$

### Time Complexity Proof:

- 1. At each recursion:
  - Split n points into two subsets of n/2
  - Finding median costs O(n)
- 2. Recurrence relation:

$$T(n) = \begin{cases} O(1) & \text{if } n = 1\\ 2T(n/2) + O(n) & \text{if } n > 1 \end{cases}$$

- 3. Apply Master Theorem:
  - Similar to Merge-Sort analysis
  - Results in  $T(n) = O(n \log n)$

#### Key Points for Exam:

- Space complexity proof:
  - Count nodes for power of 2
  - Extend to general case
  - Multiply by constant storage
- Time complexity proof:
  - Identify recursive pattern
  - Write recurrence relation
  - Apply Master Theorem
- Remember median finding is O(n)

#### Common Mistakes to Avoid:

- Don't forget to account for non-power-of-2 cases
- Don't ignore constant factors in space analysis
- Remember to justify linear median finding
- Don't skip the Master Theorem application

#### Binary Search Trees (BST) 2.1.4

**Definition:** A binary tree where for each node x:

- All keys in left subtree are < x.key
- All keys in right subtree are > x.key
- No duplicate keys allowed

#### **Basic Operations:**

- 1. **TREE-SEARCH**(x, k): Find node with key k
  - Start at root, compare with k
  - If equal: found
  - If k smaller: go left
  - If k larger: go right
  - Time: O(h) where h is height
- 2. **TREE-MINIMUM**(x): Find smallest key
  - Follow left pointers until NIL
  - Time: O(h)
- 3. **TREE-MAXIMUM**(x): Find largest key
  - Follow right pointers until NIL
  - Time: O(h)
- 4. **TREE-SUCCESSOR**(x): Find next larger key
  - If subtreeexists: TREEright MINIMUM(right)
  - Else: Go up until first right turn
  - Time: O(h)
- 5. **TREE-PREDECESSOR**(x): Find next smaller kev
  - If left subtree exists: TREE-MAXIMUM(left)
  - Else: Go up until first left turn
  - Time: O(h)

## **Modifying Operations:**

- 1. **TREE-INSERT**(T, z): Insert new node z
  - Follow BST property down to leaf
  - Insert as left/right child
  - Time: O(h)
- 2. **TREE-DELETE**(T, z): Delete node z
  - Case 1: No children remove directly
  - Case 2: One child replace with child
  - Case 3: Two children:
    - Find successor y (min in right subtree)
    - Replace z with y
    - Delete y from original position
  - Time: O(h)

## **Helper Operation:**

- **TRANSPLANT**(T, u, v): Replace subtree
  - Replaces subtree rooted at u with subtree rooted at v
  - Updates parent pointers
  - Used in DELETE operation

#### **Properties:**

- Inorder traversal gives sorted sequence
- Height h determines operation time:
  - Best case (balanced):  $h = \lg n$
  - Worst case (linear): h = n
- No explicit balancing shape depends on insertion

#### Tree Traversal:

- Inorder: Left subtree  $\rightarrow$  Root  $\rightarrow$  Right subtree
  - Visits nodes in sorted order

- Used for ordered printing
- **Preorder**: Root  $\rightarrow$  Left subtree  $\rightarrow$  Right subtree
  - Root processed before children
  - Used for copying tree structure
- Postorder: Left subtree  $\rightarrow$  Right subtree  $\rightarrow$  Root
  - Root processed after children
  - Used for deletion

#### Implementation Details:

- Node structure:
  - key: Value stored in node
  - left, right: Pointers to children
  - p: Pointer to parent (optional)
- Sentinel NIL:
  - Used to mark leaf nodes
  - Simplifies boundary conditions

#### **Key Insights:**

- Successor never has left child
- Predecessor never has right child
- All operations maintain BST property
- Performance depends on tree height
- Balancing requires additional mechanisms (AVL, Red-Black)

## 3 Complexity Analysis

### 3.1 Sorting Complexity

**Big-Oh Notation:** Describes the upper bound of an algorithm's running time. For example,  $O(n \log n)$  is common in efficient sorting algorithms like Merge Sort.

#### 3.2 Quadratic Algorithms

Understanding  $O(n^2)$ : Often seen in simple sorting algorithms like Bubble Sort, where each element is compared to every other element.

## 3.3 Time Complexity

Complexity Classes: Includes constant O(1), logarithmic  $O(\log n)$ , linear O(n), quadratic  $O(n^2)$ , and more. Helps in understanding the efficiency of algorithms.

#### 3.4 Dominant Terms

**Identifying Dominant Terms:** In expressions like  $5n^2 + 3n \log n$ , the term  $5n^2$  is dominant, leading to  $O(n^2)$ .

## 3.5 Big-Oh Notation Properties

**Rules:** Includes the rule of sums  $O(f + g) = O(\max\{f, g\})$  and products  $O(f \cdot g) = O(f) \cdot O(g)$ .

#### 3.6 Computational Complexity

**Nested Loops:** Analyzing loops within loops to determine total complexity, such as  $O(n(\log n)^2)$  for certain nested structures.

#### 3.7 Master Theorem

The Master Theorem provides a way to solve recurrence relations of the form:

$$T(n) = aT\left(\frac{n}{h}\right) + f(n)$$

where  $a \geq 1$ , b > 1, and f(n) is an asymptotically positive function. The theorem helps determine the asymptotic behavior of T(n) by comparing f(n) with  $n^{\log_b a}$ .

1. If  $f(n) = O(n^{\log_b a - \epsilon})$  for some  $\epsilon > 0$ , then:

$$T(n) = \Theta(n^{\log_b a})$$

2. If  $f(n) = \Theta(n^{\log_b a})$ , then:

$$T(n) = \Theta(n^{\log_b a} \log n)$$

3. If  $f(n) = \Omega(n^{\log_b a + \epsilon})$  for some  $\epsilon > 0$ , and if  $af(n/b) \leq cf(n)$  for some constant c < 1 and sufficiently large n, then:

$$T(n) = \Theta(f(n))$$

The Master Theorem is widely used in analyzing the time complexity of divide-and-conquer algorithms, such as Merge Sort and Quick Sort.

## 3.8 Heap Operations

### Basic Heap Properties:

- A heap is a complete binary tree
- In a max-heap, for each node i: parent.key  $\geq$  children.key
- In a min-heap, for each node i: parent.key  $\leq$  children.key

Array Representation: For a node at index i:

• Parent:  $\lfloor i/2 \rfloor$ 

• Left child: 2i

• Right child: 2i + 1



Figure 3: \*
Array indices in heap

## **MAX-HEAPIFY** Operation:

- 1. Compare root with children
- 2. If child is larger, swap with largest child
- 3. Recursively heapify affected subtree



Figure 4: \*
MAX-HEAPIFY example

#### **BUILD-MAX-HEAP Operation:**

- 1. Start from last non-leaf node  $(\lfloor n/2 \rfloor)$
- 2. Apply MAX-HEAPIFY to each node up to root



Figure 5: \*
BUILD-MAX-HEAP example

## **HEAPSORT Operation:**

- 1. BUILD-MAX-HEAP
- 2. Repeatedly:

- Swap root with last element
- Reduce heap size by 1
- MAX-HEAPIFY root

**COUNTING-SORT Overview:** A non-comparison based sorting algorithm that works in O(n+k) time, where n is the number of elements and k is the range of input.

#### **Key Properties:**

- Stable sorting algorithm
- Works best when k = O(n)
- Requires extra space for counting array C and output array B
- Input must be non-negative integers

### Algorithm Steps:

- 1. Initialize counting array C[0..k] to all zeros
- 2. Count occurrences of each element in input array A
- 3. Compute cumulative sums in C
- 4. Build output array B using C as position guide

#### Pseudocode:

1: function COUNTING-SORT(A, B, k)let C[0..k] be a new array 2: for  $i \leftarrow 0$  to k do 3:  $C[i] \leftarrow 0$ 4: end for 5: for  $i \leftarrow 1$  to A.length do 6:  $C[A[i]] \leftarrow C[A[i]] + 1$ 7: end for 8: for  $i \leftarrow 1$  to k do 9:  $C[i] \leftarrow C[i] + C[i-1]$ 10: end for 11: 12: for  $j \leftarrow A.length$  downto 1 do  $B[C[A[j]]] \leftarrow A[j]$ 13:  $C[A[j]] \leftarrow C[A[j]] - 1$ 14: end for 15: 16: end function

### Array States During Execution:

- After counting (C[i] = frequency of i):
  - Each C[i] contains count of elements equal to i
- After cumulative sums:
  - Each C[i] contains count of elements  $\leq i$
  - -C[i] represents position after which next i should go
- During output array construction:
  - Process input from right to left
  - Use C[A[j]] as position index in B
  - Decrement C[A[j]] after each placement

#### Time Complexity Analysis:

- Initialize C: O(k)
- Count frequencies: O(n)

- Compute cumulative sums: O(k)
- Build output array: O(n)
- Total: O(n+k)

### Space Complexity:

- Array C: O(k)
- Array B: O(n)
- Total: O(n+k)

#### **Key Insights:**

- Processing from right to left ensures stability
- Cumulative sum array C determines final positions
- No comparisons between elements needed
- Efficient when range of input is not too large

#### Common Applications:

- Sorting integers with known range
- As subroutine in Radix Sort
- When stability is required
- When input range is O(n)

## 4 Graph Algorithms

## 4.1 Graph Representations

## 4.1.1 Graph Transpose

**Problem Type:** Computing transpose  $G^T$  of a directed graph G = (V, E)

#### What to Look For:

- Graph representation type (matrix/list)
- Direction of edges must be reversed
- Time complexity analysis required

## **Key Definitions:**

- $G^T = (V, E^T)$  where  $E^T = \{(v, u) \mid (u, v) \in E\}$
- |V| = n (number of vertices)
- |E| (number of edges)

#### Solution for Adjacency Matrix:

1. Given matrix  $M_G$ , create  $M_G^T$  by swapping entries:

$$M = \begin{pmatrix} m_{11} & m_{12} & \cdots & m_{1n} \\ m_{21} & m_{22} & \cdots & m_{2n} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ m_{n1} & m_{n2} & \cdots & m_{nn} \end{pmatrix}$$

$$M^{T} = \begin{pmatrix} m_{11} & m_{21} & \cdots & m_{n1} \\ m_{12} & m_{22} & \cdots & m_{n2} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ m_{1n} & m_{2n} & \cdots & m_{nn} \end{pmatrix}$$

2. Example:

$$M = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 3 & 4 \end{pmatrix}, M^T = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 3 \\ 2 & 4 \end{pmatrix}$$

- 3. Time Complexity:  $\Theta(n^2)$ 
  - Must swap  $n^2 n$  entries (excluding diagonal)
  - Each swap is O(1)

#### Solution for Adjacency List:

- 1. Create empty adjacency lists for  $G^T$ : O(n)
- 2. For each vertex v in G:
  - For each edge (v, w) in v's adjacency list
  - Add v to w's list in  $G^T$
- 3. Time Complexity:  $\Theta(|V| + |E|)$ 
  - Creating lists: O(|V|)
  - Processing edges: O(|E|)

#### Comparison:

- Matrix:  $\Theta(n^2)$  always
- List:  $\Theta(|V| + |E|)$  which is better for sparse graphs
- List requires more complex implementation

#### Common Mistakes to Avoid:

- Don't forget self-loops (diagonal elements)
- Don't count diagonal elements in matrix swaps
- Remember to initialize all new lists in adjacency list solution
- Don't confuse |V| and |E| in complexity analysis

#### 4.2 Shortest Paths

## 4.2.1 Dijkstra's Algorithm Limitations

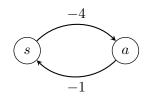
**Problem Type:** Counterexample for Dijkstra with negative weights

#### What to Look For:

- Directed graph with negative weights
- Minimal example showing algorithm failure
- Negative cycle demonstration

#### Solution:

1. Consider this directed graph:



- 2. Why Dijkstra fails:
  - Initial distance to a: -4
  - After one cycle: -5
  - After two cycles: -6
  - Continues to decrease indefinitely

#### **Key Properties:**

- Any negative cycle causes Dijkstra to fail
- Algorithm assumes:
  - Edge weights are non-negative
  - Shortest paths exist (no negative cycles)
- For negative weights, use Bellman-Ford instead

#### Common Mistakes to Avoid:

- Single negative edge isn't enough
- Example must have negative total cycle weight

### 5 Exercises

## 5.1 Exercise 1.1: Sorting Complexity

**Problem:** A sorting method with "Big-Oh" complexity  $O(n \log n)$  spends exactly 1 millisecond to sort 1,000 data items. Given this, estimate how long it will take to sort 1,000,000 items.

#### **Solution Steps:**

- 1. Understand the Problem: You need to find out how long it will take to sort 1,000,000 items using the given complexity.
- 2. Identify Known Values:
  - T(1,000) = 1ms
  - Complexity is  $O(n \log n)$
- 3. Calculate Constant c:
  - Formula:  $T(n) = c \cdot n \log n$
  - Use T(1,000) = 1ms to find c:

$$c = \frac{1ms}{1,000 \log 1,000}$$

- 4. Calculate T(1,000,000):
  - Use the formula  $T(n) = c \cdot n \log n$
  - Substitute n = 1,000,000:

$$T(1,000,000) = c \cdot 1,000,000 \cdot \log 1,000,000$$

- 5. Simplify the Expression:
  - Calculate log 1,000,000
  - Multiply and simplify to find the time in seconds

**Exam Note:** Remember that  $O(n \log n)$  complexity means the time increases logarithmically with the size of the data.

**Hint:** To solve similar exercises, focus on understanding the relationship between the given complexity and the time it takes to process a certain amount of data. Use the formula  $T(n) = c \cdot f(n)$  to calculate the constant c and then use it to find the time for a different amount of data.

#### 5.2 Exercise 1.2: Quadratic Algorithm

**Problem:** A quadratic algorithm with processing time  $T(n) = cn^2$  spends 1ms for 100 items. Calculate the time for 5,000 items.

#### Solution Steps:

- 1. Understand the Problem: You need to calculate the time for 5,000 items given the complexity.
- 2. Identify Known Values:
  - T(100) = 1ms
  - Complexity is  $O(n^2)$
- 3. Calculate Constant c:

- Formula:  $T(n) = c \cdot n^2$
- Use T(100) = 1ms to find c:

$$c = \frac{1ms}{100^2}$$

- 4. Calculate T(5,000):
  - Use the formula  $T(n) = c \cdot n^2$
  - Substitute n = 5,000:

$$T(5,000) = c \cdot (5,000)^2$$

- 5. Simplify the Expression:
  - Calculate  $(5,000)^2$
  - Multiply and simplify to find the time in milliseconds.

**Exam Note:** Quadratic complexity  $O(n^2)$  means time increases with the square of the data size.

**Hint:** To solve similar exercises, focus on understanding the relationship between the given complexity and the time it takes to process a certain amount of data. Use the formula  $T(n) = c \cdot f(n)$  to calculate the constant c and then use it to find the time for a different amount of data.

## 5.3 Exercise 1.3: Time Complexity

**Problem:** Given  $T(n) = c \cdot f(n)$ , where f(n) = n or  $f(n) = n^3$ , calculate the time for 100,000 items.

#### Solution Steps:

- 1. Understand the Problem: You need to calculate the time for different functions f(n).
- 2. Identify Known Values:
  - T(1,000) = 10s
  - Functions f(n) = n and  $f(n) = n^3$
- 3. Calculate Constant c for Each Function:
  - Use T(1,000) = 10s to find c for each f(n).
- 4. Calculate T(100,000) for Each Function:
  - For f(n) = n, compute T(100, 000).
  - For  $f(n) = n^3$ , compute T(100,000).
- 5. Simplify the Expressions:
  - Calculate the necessary values and simplify.

**Exam Note:** Understand how different functions f(n) affect time complexity.

**Hint:** To solve similar exercises, focus on understanding the relationship between the given complexity and the time it takes to process a certain amount of data. Use the formula  $T(n) = c \cdot f(n)$  to calculate the constant c and then use it to find the time for a different amount of data.

#### 5.4 Exercise 1.4: Dominant Terms

**Problem:** Analyze expressions to find dominant terms and Big-Oh complexity.

#### **Solution Steps:**

- 1. Understand the Problem: You need to identify the dominant term in each expression.
- 2. Analyze Each Expression:
  - Look for the term that grows fastest as *n* increases.
  - Example: For the expression  $5n^2 + 3n \log n$ , the term  $5n^2$  grows faster than  $3n \log n$ .
- 3. Determine Big-Oh Notation:
  - Use the dominant term to find the Big-Oh notation.
  - Example:  $5n^2 + 3n \log n$  is  $O(n^2)$ .
- 4. Practice with Examples:

• Expression:  $n^3 + n^2 \log n$ 

• Dominant Term:  $n^3$ 

• Big-Oh:  $O(n^3)$ 

**Exam Note:** Focus on the term that grows fastest as n increases.

**Hint:** To solve similar exercises, focus on identifying the dominant term in each expression. Use the properties of logarithms and powers of n to analyze the relationships between terms and determine the Big-Oh notation.

| Expression                           | Big-Oh           |
|--------------------------------------|------------------|
| $5 + 0.001n^3 + 0.025n$              | $O(n^3)$         |
| $500n + 100n^{1.5} + 50n\log_{10}n$  | $O(n^{1.5})$     |
| $0.3n + 5n^{1.5} + 2.5n^{1.75}$      | $O(n^{1.75})$    |
| $n^2 \log_2 n + n(n \log n)^2$       | $O(n^2 \log n)$  |
|                                      | $O(n \log n)$    |
| $3\log_8 n + \log_2 \log_2 \log_2 n$ | $O(\log n)$      |
| $100n + 0.01n^2$                     | $O(n^2)$         |
| $0.01n + 100n^2$                     | $O(n^2)$         |
| $2n + n^{0.5} + 0.5n^{1.25}$         | $O(n^{1.25})$    |
| $0.01n\log_2 n + n(\log_2 n)^2$      | $O(n(\log n)^2)$ |
| $100n\log_3 n + n^3 + 100n$          | $O(n^3)$         |
| $0.003\log_4 n + \log_2\log_2 n$     | $O(\log n)$      |

Table 1: Dominant terms and Big-Oh notation for various expressions.

**Exam Note:** Focus on the term that grows fastest as n increases.

**Hint:** To solve similar exercises, focus on identifying the dominant term in each expression. Use the properties of logarithms and powers of n to analyze the relationships between terms and determine the Big-Oh notation.

#### 5.5 Exercise 1.5: Big-Oh Notation

**Problem:** Determine if statements about Big-Oh notation are true or false.

#### Solution Steps:

- 1. Understand the Problem: You need to evaluate the truth of each statement about Big-Oh notation.
- 2. Evaluate Each Statement:
  - Rule of Sums:  $O(f+g) = O(\max\{f,g\})$
  - Rule of Products:  $O(f \cdot g) = O(f) \cdot O(g)$
  - Transitivity: If g = O(f) and h = O(g), then h = O(f)
- 3. Correct Any False Statements:
  - If a statement is false, provide the correct formula.
  - Example: If O(f+g) = O(f) + O(g) is false, correct it to  $O(f+g) = O(\max\{f,g\})$

**Exam Note:** Understand the properties of Big-Oh notation and be able to apply them to different scenarios.

**Hint:** To solve similar exercises, focus on understanding the properties of Big-Oh notation. Use the rules of sums, products, and transitivity to evaluate the truth of each statement.

| Statement                            | Evaluation |
|--------------------------------------|------------|
| Rule of sums: $O(f+g) = O(f)+$       | FALSE      |
| O(g)                                 |            |
| Rule of products: $O(f \cdot g) =$   | TRUE       |
| $O(f) \cdot O(g)$                    |            |
| Transitivity: if $g = O(f)$ and      | FALSE      |
| h = O(f) then $g = O(h)$             |            |
| $5n + 8n^2 + 100n^3 = O(n^4)$        | TRUE       |
| $5n + 8n^2 + 100n^3 = O(n^2 \log n)$ | FALSE      |

Table 2: Evaluation of Big-Oh notation statements.

**Exam Note:** Understand the properties of Big-Oh notation and be able to apply them to different scenarios.

**Hint:** To solve similar exercises, focus on understanding the properties of Big-Oh notation. Use the rules of sums, products, and transitivity to evaluate the truth of each statement.

## 5.6 Exercise 1.6: Computational Complexity

**Problem:** Analyze the complexity of a given algorithm.

#### Solution Steps:

- 1. Understand the Problem: You need to break down the algorithm to find its complexity.
- 2. Analyze Each Loop:
  - Identify the number of iterations for each loop.

- Example: For a loop running from 1 to n, the complexity is O(n).
- 3. Combine Results for Total Complexity:
  - Multiply the complexities of nested loops.
  - Example: A loop inside another loop, both running n times, results in  $O(n^2)$ .
- 4. Simplify the Total Complexity:
  - Combine terms to find the overall complexity.
  - Example: If you have  $O(n^2) + O(n)$ , the dominant term is  $O(n^2)$ .

**Exam Note:** Pay close attention to nested loops and their impact on complexity. Practice breaking down algorithms into their basic components to understand their efficiency.

**Hint:** To solve similar exercises, focus on breaking down the algorithm into its basic components. Analyze each loop and combine the results to find the total complexity.

# 5.7 Exercise 2: Binary Search Tree Property

**Problem:** Consider a binary search tree T whose keys are distinct. Show that if the right subtree of a node x in T is empty and x has a successor y, then y is the lowest ancestor of x whose left child is also an ancestor of x. (Recall that every node is its own ancestor.)

**Solution:** Let's prove this by contradiction:

- 1. First, observe that since x has no right subtree, its successor y must be an ancestor of x.
  - This is because in a BST, if x had any right child, its successor would be in that subtree.
  - Since there is no right subtree, we must go up the tree to find a larger value.
- 2. Assume for contradiction that there exists a node  $z \neq y$  that is:
  - The lowest ancestor of x whose left child is an ancestor of x
  - Different from y (the successor of x)

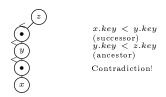


Figure 6: \*
Contradiction in BST property

This leads to a contradiction because:

- Since x is in the left subtree of y: x.key < y.key
- Since z is an ancestor of y: y.key < z.key
- But y is the successor of x, so there can't be any value z.key between x.key and y.key
- Therefore, z must be y

Thus, y (the successor of x) must be the lowest ancestor of x whose left child is also an ancestor of x.

## 5.8 Exercise 2.1: Heap Structure

**Problem:** Viewing a heap as a tree, we define the height of a node in a heap to be the number of edges on the longest simple downward path from the node to a leaf, and we define the height of the heap to be the height of its root. What are the minimum and maximum numbers of elements in a heap of height h?

**Solution:** From the previous exercise (in particular its solution) we have seen that

$$2^h < n < 2^{h+1} - 1$$

where h is the height of the complete binary tree. By taking the logarithm lg in base 2 at each term of the above sequence of inequalities, since lg is a monotone increasing function we have

$$h \le \ln n \le \ln(2^{h+1} - 1)$$

Now it is enough to note that

$$h = \ln 2^h < \ln n < \ln(2^{h+1} - 1) < h + 1$$

Thus we have

$$h = |h| \le |\ln n| \le |\ln(2^{h+1} - 1)| = h$$



Figure 7: \*
Simple Binary Tree Representing a Heap

**Hint:** To solve similar exercises, focus on understanding the structure of heaps and binary trees. Use the properties of logarithms and powers of 2 to analyze the relationships between nodes and height.

## 5.9 Exercise 2.2: Heap Height

**Problem:** Show that an *n*-element heap has height  $|\lg n|$ . (Where  $\lg(\cdot)$  denotes logarithm in base 2).

**Solution:** From the previous exercise (in particular its solution) we have seen that

$$2^h \le n \le 2^{h+1} - 1$$

where h is the height of the complete binary tree. By taking the logarithm  $\lg$  in base 2 at each term of the

above sequence of inequalities, since lg is a monotone increasing function we have

$$h \le \ln n \le \ln(2^{h+1} - 1)$$

Now it is enough to note that

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Thus we have

$$h = |h| \le |\ln n| \le |\ln(2^{h+1} - 1)| = h$$

**Hint:** To solve similar exercises, focus on understanding the structure of heaps and binary trees. Use the properties of logarithms and powers of 2 to analyze the relationships between nodes and height.

## 5.10 Exercise 2.4: Recursive Algorithm Running Time

**Problem:** We consider the running time of a recursive algorithm y(n). Suppose that y(n) verifies the following:

1.

$$\begin{cases} y(1) = 0 \\ y(n) = y\left(\frac{n}{2}\right) + 1 & n \ge 1 \end{cases}$$

If possible, calculate the running time.

2.

$$\begin{cases} y(1) = 0 \\ y(n) = 3y\left(\frac{n}{4}\right) + n^2 \log_2 n & n \ge 1 \end{cases}$$

If possible, calculate the running time.

3.

$$\begin{cases} y(1) = 0 \\ y(n) = 5y\left(\frac{n}{3}\right) + \log_2 n & n \ge 1 \end{cases}$$

If possible, calculate the running time.

**Solution:** Using the Master Theorem:

- 1. We have  $a=1,\ b=2,$  and f(n)=1. Since  $n^{\log_b a}=n^0=1,$  we have  $f(n)=\Theta(1).$  Thus we are in case II of the Master Theorem. So  $T(n)=\Theta(\ln n).$
- 2. We have a=3, b=4, and  $f(n)=n^2\log_2 n$ . Since  $n^{\log_b a}=n^{\log_4 3}$ , we have  $f(n)=\Omega(n^{\log_4 3+\epsilon})$  for some  $\epsilon>0$ . Therefore, for the Master Theorem (case 3), we have  $T(n)=\Theta(n^2\ln n)$ .
- 3. We have a=5, b=3, and  $f(n)=\log_2 n$ . Since  $n^{\log_b a}=n^{\log_3 5}>n$ , we have  $f(n)=O(n^{\log_3 5-\epsilon})$  for some  $\epsilon>0$ . Therefore, we are in case 1 of the Master Theorem, and so  $T(n)=\Theta(n^{\log_3 5})$ .

**Conclusion:** To apply the Master Theorem, follow these steps:

1. Identify the parameters a, b, and f(n) from the recurrence relation. 2. Calculate  $n^{\log_b a}$  to compare with f(n). 3. Determine which case of the Master Theorem applies: - Case 1: If f(n) grows slower than  $n^{\log_b a}$ , then  $T(n) = \Theta(n^{\log_b a})$ . - Case 2: If f(n) grows at the same rate as  $n^{\log_b a}$ , then  $T(n) = \Theta(n^{\log_b a} \log n)$ . - Case 3: If f(n) grows faster

than  $n^{\log_b a}$ , then check the regularity condition. If it holds,  $T(n) = \Theta(f(n))$ .

This approach helps in determining the asymptotic behavior of recursive algorithms efficiently.

**Hint:** To solve similar exercises, identify the parameters a, b, and f(n) in the recurrence relation, and apply the Master Theorem to determine the running time.

## 5.11 Exercise 3.1: HEAPSORT Operations

**Problem:** Using the figure in slide 25 of the slide of week 2 as a model, illustrate the operations of HEAP-SORT on the array

$$A = \{5, 13, 2, 25, 7, 17, 20, 8, 4\}$$

**Solution:** Let's break down the HEAPSORT process into detailed steps:

- 1. Build Max-Heap (BUILD-MAX-HEAP):
- Start with the array as a binary tree (parent at i, children at 2i and 2i + 1)
- For each non-leaf node from  $\lfloor n/2 \rfloor$  down to 1:
  - Call MAX-HEAPIFY on that node
  - This ensures the subtree rooted at each node satisfies max-heap property
- 2. Extract and Sort (HEAPSORT):
- For i from n down to 2:
  - Swap A[1] (root) with A[i] (last element)
  - Reduce heap size by 1
  - Call MAX-HEAPIFY on root (1) to maintain max-heap property

#### Detailed Process for Our Array:

- 1. Initial array: {5, 13, 2, 25, 7, 17, 20, 8, 4}
- 2. BUILD-MAX-HEAP:
  - Start from last non-leaf node (|9/2| = 4)
  - Apply MAX-HEAPIFY at each level up to root
  - Results in max-heap with 25 at root
- 3. HEAPSORT Process:
  - Swap 25 with last element, heapify remaining
  - Swap new max with second-to-last, heapify
  - Continue until all elements processed
- 4. Final sorted array:  $\{2, 4, 5, 7, 8, 13, 17, 20, 25\}$

#### **Key Operations:**

- MAX-HEAPIFY(A, i): Ensures subtree at index i maintains max-heap property
- BUILD-MAX-HEAP(A): Converts array into max-heap
- HEAPSORT(A): Repeatedly extracts maximum and rebuilds heap

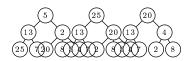


Figure 8: \*

 $\begin{array}{c} \text{HEAPSORT steps: Initial} \rightarrow \text{BUILD-MAX-HEAP} \rightarrow \text{First} \\ \text{extraction} \end{array}$ 

**Note:** The process continues similarly until all elements are sorted. At each step:

- The largest element moves to the root
- We swap it with the last element of the current heap
- We reduce the heap size and MAX-HEAPIFY the root

**Hint:** To solve similar exercises:

- 1. Draw the initial array as a complete binary tree
- 2. Apply BUILD-MAX-HEAP by working bottom-up
- 3. For each HEAPSORT step:
  - Draw the current heap state
  - Show the swap operation
  - Show the heapified result
- 4. Keep track of the sorted portion at the end of the array

#### 5.12 Exercise 3.2: Tree Predecessor

**Problem:** Write the TREE-PREDECESSOR procedure.

**Solution:** To obtain TREE-PREDECESSOR(x) procedure, we replace in TREE-SUCCESSOR(x) "left" instead of "right" and "MAXIMUM" instead of "MIN-IMUM".

```
1: procedure Tree-Predecessor(x)
       if x.right \neq NIL then
           return Tree-Maximum(x.left)
 3:
       end if
 4:
       y \leftarrow x.p
 5:
       while y \neq NIL and x = y.left do
 6:
 7:
           x \leftarrow y
           y \leftarrow y.p
 8:
       end while
 9:
10:
       return y
11: end procedure
```



Figure 9: \*

Example: Predecessor of 15 is 13 (maximum in left subtree)

#### **Explanation:**

- Case 1: If x has a left subtree, the predecessor is the maximum element in that subtree
- Case 2: If no left subtree exists, we go up the tree until we find a node that is a right child
- The predecessor's key is the largest key in the tree smaller than x.key

## 5.13 Exercise 3.4: Binary Search Tree Insertion

**Problem:** Let T be a Binary Search Tree. Prove that it always possible to insert a node z as a leaf of the tree T with z.key = r.

**Solution:** This is a straightforward property of Binary Search Trees. We prove this by induction on the height of the tree.

- **Base case** (h = 0):
  - Tree consists only of root node x
  - If  $r \leq x.key$ : place z as left child of x
  - If r > x.key: place z as right child of x

#### • Inductive step:

- Assume the statement is true for trees of height h-1
- For a tree of height h with root x:
  - \* If  $r \leq x.key$ : insert in left subtree
  - \* If r > x.key: insert in right subtree
- By inductive hypothesis, we can insert in the chosen subtree (height h-1)

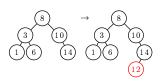


Figure 10: \*

Example: Inserting node with key=12 (shown in red)

#### **Key Points:**

- The BST property ensures we can always find a valid leaf position
- At each step, we reduce the problem to a smaller subtree

- The process terminates when we reach a NULL child pointer
- Insertion maintains the BST property

#### 5.14 Exercise 3.2: Tree Predecessor

**Problem:** Write the TREE-PREDECESSOR procedure.

**Solution:** To obtain TREE-PREDECESSOR(x) procedure, we replace in TREE-SUCCESSOR(x) "left" instead of "right" and "MAXIMUM" instead of "MIN-IMUM".

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1: procedure Tree-Predecessor(x)
       if x.right \neq NIL then
          return Tree-Maximum(x.left)
 3:
       end if
 4:
 5:
       y \leftarrow x.p
       while y \neq NIL and x = y.left do
 6:
 7:
 8:
          y \leftarrow y.p
       end while
 9:
10:
       return y
11: end procedure
```



Figure 11: \*

Example: Predecessor of 15 is 13 (maximum in left subtree)

#### **Explanation:**

- Case 1: If x has a left subtree, the predecessor is the maximum element in that subtree
- Case 2: If no left subtree exists, we go up the tree until we find a node that is a right child
- The predecessor's key is the largest key in the tree smaller than x.key

## 5.15 Exercise 3.4: Binary Search Tree Insertion

**Problem:** Let T be a Binary Search Tree. Prove that it always possible to insert a node z as a leaf of the tree T with z.key = r.

**Solution:** This is a straightforward property of Binary Search Trees. We prove this by induction on the height of the tree.

*Proof.* • Base case (h = 0):

- Tree consists only of root node x
- If  $r \leq x.key$ : place z as left child of x

- If r > x.key: place z as right child of x

#### • Inductive step:

- Assume the statement is true for trees of height h-1
- For a tree of height h with root x:
  - \* If  $r \leq x.key$ : insert in left subtree
  - \* If r > x.key: insert in right subtree
- By inductive hypothesis, we can insert in the chosen subtree (height h-1)

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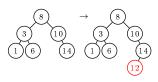


Figure 12: \*

Example: Inserting node with key=12 (shown in red)

#### **Key Points:**

- The BST property ensures we can always find a valid leaf position
- At each step, we reduce the problem to a smaller subtree
- The process terminates when we reach a NULL child pointer
- Insertion maintains the BST property

## 5.16 Exercise 3.5: Binary Search Tree Deletion

**Problem:** Let T be a Binary Search Tree given in the figure below. Give the output tree after the call of TREE-DELETE(T,z) where z is the node with key 41.



Figure 13: \*

Initial Binary Search Tree with node 41 to be deleted

Algorithm: TREE-DELETE(T, z)

```
1: procedure TREE-DELETE(T, z)
       if z.left = NIL then
2:
            Transplant(T, z, z.right)
3:
        else if z.right = NIL then
4:
            Transplant(T, z, z.left)
5:
6:
       else
           y \leftarrow \text{Tree-Minimum}(z.right)
7:
           if y.p \neq z then
8:
               Transplant(T, y, y.right)
9:
               y.right \leftarrow z.right
10:
               y.right.p \leftarrow y
11:
            end if
12:
            Transplant(T, z, y)
13:
           y.left \leftarrow z.left
14:
            y.left.p \leftarrow y
15:
        end if
16:
17: end procedure
```

**Solution:** Let's solve this step by step following the TREE-DELETE algorithm:

#### 1. Analyze the node to be deleted (41):

- Node 41 has two children: 16 (left) and 53 (right)
- Since it has two children, we fall into the third case (lines 7-15)
- We need to find its successor to replace it

#### 2. Find the successor of 41 (lines 7):

- Call TREE-MINIMUM(z.right) to find successor
- Right subtree starts at node 53
- Follow left pointers:  $53 \rightarrow 46 \rightarrow 42$
- Node 42 has no left child, so it's the successor

#### 3. Handle successor's position (lines 8-11):

- Check if successor (42) is not a direct child of 41
- Since 42 is not direct child (it's grandchild), we:
  - Replace 42 with its right child (NIL in this case)
  - Make 42 point to 41's right child (53)
  - Make 53's parent point to 42

#### 4. Complete the replacement (lines 12-14):

- Replace 41 with 42 using TRANSPLANT
- Make 42 point to 41's left child (16)
- Make 16's parent point to 42



Figure 14: \*

Finding successor: Node to delete (41) in red, successor (42) in blue



Figure 15: \*

Final Binary Search Tree after deleting node 41

#### **Key Points for Tree Deletion:**

- There are three cases when deleting a node:
  - 1. Node has no children (leaf node):
    - Simply remove it by setting parent's pointer to NIL
    - Example: Deleting a leaf like node 25
  - 2. Node has one child:
    - Replace node with its only child
    - Update parent pointers
    - Example: If node 16 had only child 25
  - 3. Node has two children:
    - Find successor (smallest value in right subtree)
    - Replace node with successor
    - Handle successor's original position
    - Example: Node 41 in our case
- Finding the successor (TREE-MINIMUM):
  - Start at node's right child
  - Keep following left pointers until NIL
  - Last node found is successor
  - Important: Successor never has a left child
- TRANSPLANT operation:
  - Used to replace one subtree with another
  - Updates parent pointers correctly
  - Handles special case of root node
  - Does not handle child pointers of moved nodes

### **Verification:** After deletion:

- Node 42 maintains BST property:
  - Left subtree (16, 25) contains values < 42

- Right subtree (53, 46, 55) contains values > 42
- Tree structure remains valid:
  - All parent-child pointers are correct
  - No nodes were lost or duplicated
- BST invariants are preserved:
  - For every node: left subtree values < node key < right subtree values
  - Tree remains connected
  - No cycles are created

#### Exercise 4.1: Quicksort Partitioning 5.17Worst Case

**Problem:** Prove that the worst case in Partitioning Algorithm (for Quicksort) has running time  $\Theta(n^2)$ , where n is the cardinality of the set of elements in the partitioning.

Solution: We provide both an intuitive proof and a formal proof by induction.

#### Part 1: Intuitive Proof

#### 1. Worst Case Scenario:

- At each step, we get maximally unbalanced partitions:
- A k-1 element array and an empty array
- This happens when pivot is always smallest/largest element

## 2. Recurrence Relation: Let T(n) be the running time of Quicksort with Partition:

- Splitting time is linear:  $\Theta(k)$  for array of size
- Base case: T(0) is constant, so  $T(0) = \Theta(1)$
- For size k:  $T(k) = T(k-1) + T(0) + \Theta(k)$
- Simplifies to:  $T(k) = T(k-1) + \Theta(k)$

#### 3. Solving the Recurrence:

$$T(n) = T(n-1) + \Theta(n)$$

$$= T(n-2) + \Theta(n-1) + \Theta(n)$$

$$= T(n-3) + \Theta(n-2) + \Theta(n-1) + \Theta(n)$$

$$\vdots$$

$$= T(0) + \sum_{i=1}^{n} \Theta(i)$$

#### 4. Final Step:

- Sum is arithmetic series:  $\sum_{i=1}^{n} i$
- Using identity:  $\sum_{i=1}^{n} i = \frac{\overline{n(n+1)}}{2}$  Therefore:  $T(n) = \Theta(n^2)$

#### Part 2: Formal Proof by Induction

- 1. Claim:  $T(n) = \Theta(n^2)$  for worst-case running time
- 2. Precise Statement:

- For all 0 < m < n:  $T(m) = \Theta(m^2)$
- This means  $\exists c_1, d_1 > 0 : c_1 m^2 \leq T(m) \leq$
- Partition time  $P(m) = \Theta(m)$ , so  $\exists c_2, d_2 > 0$ :  $c_2 m \le P(m) + T(0) \le d_2 m$

#### 3. Constants:

- Let  $c = \min\{c_1, c_2\}$  and  $d = \max\{d_1, d_2, 1\}$
- Then for all  $m \ge n 1$ :  $cm^2 \le T(m) \le dm^2$
- And for all  $m \ge n$ :  $2cm \le T(0) + P(m) \le dm$

#### 4. Inductive Step:

$$T(n) = T(n-1) + T(0) + P(n)$$

$$c(n-1)^2 + 2cn \le cn^2 - 2cn + 1 + 2cn = cn^2 + 1$$

$$d(n-1)^2 + dn \le dn^2 - dn + 1 \le dn^2$$

Therefore:  $cn^2 < T(n) \le dn^2$ , proving T(n) = $\Theta(n^2)$ 

## **Key Insights:**

- The worst case occurs with extremely unbalanced partitions
- Each partition step costs linear time
- The cumulative effect leads to quadratic runtime
- Both intuitive and formal proofs confirm  $\Theta(n^2)$ complexity

#### Exercise 4.2: COUNTING-SORT Al-5.18 gorithm

**Problem:** We apply COUNTING-SORT with the input vector A = (5, 6, 5, 3, 3, 7, 4, 4, 4, 5, 3, 8, 8). Let Cand B be the arrays mentioned in the pseudocode of COUNTING-SORT. Answer the following questions:

- 1. What is C[7] after the for loop at lines 7-8 of the pseudocode?
- 2. What is B[13] after the first cycle at line 10?
- 3. What is C[8] after the first cycle?

Solution: Let's solve this step by step following the COUNTING-SORT algorithm.

#### 1. Algorithm Overview:

- Input array A = (5, 6, 5, 3, 3, 7, 4, 4, 4, 5, 3, 8, 8)with k = 8 (max value)
- Array C[0..k] is used for counting and cumulative
- Array B[1..n] will store the sorted output

#### 2. Step-by-Step Execution:

- 1. Initialize array C:
  - Create C[0..8] initialized to zeros
  - C = [0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0]
- 2. Count elements (lines 3-4):
  - Count occurrences of each value in A
  - After this step: C = [0, 0, 0, 3, 3, 3, 1, 1, 2]

• Meaning: three 3s, three 4s, three 5s, one 6, one 7, two 8s

### 3. Compute cumulative sums (lines 5-6):

- ullet Transform C into cumulative counts
- C = [0, 0, 0, 3, 6, 9, 10, 11, 13]
- Therefore, C[7] = 11 (Answer to Question 1)

#### 4. Build sorted array (lines 7-8):

- Process A from right to left
- $\bullet$  Place elements in B based on C values
- After first cycle (processing last element 8):
  - -B[13] = 8 (Answer to Question 2)
  - C[8] is decremented to 12 (Answer to Question 3)
- Final sorted array: B = [3, 3, 3, 4, 4, 4, 5, 5, 5, 6, 7, 8, 8]

#### **Key Insights:**

- The cumulative sum array C helps maintain stability by tracking positions
- Processing from right to left ensures stability
- C[i] represents the position after which the next element i should be placed
- ullet Each placement decrements the corresponding counter in C

#### Final Answers:

- 1. C[7] = 11
- 2. B[13] = 8
- 3. C[8] = 12